THE EXCITER

Formerly Called Gutter Dope, Established in 1934.

Published Free of Charge Monthly by The San Antonio Radio Club.

Vol. 7, No. 1 San Antonio, Texas January, 1963

All Amateurs of the San Antonio Area

QST QST QST

A most wonderful opportunity to advance the cause of amateur radio has been presented to the Texas Union Amateur Radio Society of the University of Texas. The Southwestern Educational Television Council owns and operates educational television station KLRN-TV. The management of this station has consented to give our organization a half hour of air time, once a week, for the purpose of having a program concerning amateur radio.

As presently planned, this program can be used to serve many purposes: (1) it will help inform the general public about amateur radio, (2) it will serve as a news-cast for the amateurs of the area, (3) it will educate those hoping to become amateurs.

Station KLRN-TV is located near New Braunfels, Texas, and is running 316,000 watts, thereby reaching the metropoliton areas of both Austin and San Antonio as well as the surrounding communities for a distance of 150 miles in every direction The station broadcasts educational programs during the day hours to grade school and high school students. Through the use of promotional announcements during these hours we plan to gather a large audience of would-be amateurs.

Our present plans call for a series of programs beginning with several general programs designed to acquaint the public with amateur radio, followed by a series of programs that will strive for a balance between the technical and nontechnical aspects of the subject To contrast these two view points, we plan to show various activities in which amateurs are involved; we plan to have an "amateur and (his) amateur station of the week"; we plan for an amateur newcast of local and national amateur activities; we will try to stimulate interest in the various technical fields through the use of "live" demonstrations, guest lecturers, and by answering questions sent to us by our listners; and we further plan to help the beginners through explanations of basic theory and by pointing out referrance material that they may study.

Another possibility under consideration is the "on-the'air" teaching of c.w. (code) over the amateur bands from our on campus station W5EHM, as a supplement to the program. In this manner, our students would be learning both the theory and code necessary to get their amateur licenses.

We beleive that this is an excellent chance to advance the cause of amateur radio and we therefore wish to solicit your aid and co-operation in this project. At the present time, we are still in the planning stage; we are very much open to suggestions and ideas. We therefore urge that you write us and let us know your ideas and to what extend that you would be willing to work with us.

We are eagerly awaiting your reply.

73 s
Carl K. Zettner, W5HFG
Project FOAR Director

****

40 METERS AUBREY G. ARMSTRONG-K5MOF

The News of operations on the Band is hitting a new low. Your editor has to rely on his monitoring of the Band as very few reports have been received. This has been limited due to yours truly being out of town for three weeks and working hours.

During the business trip of your Editor, in West Texas mobile operation was attempted. (HI). A Swan Transceiver was used during this operation with a Hustler Whip. Considering it was single sideband (Ugh) (regrets to Mac-W5BVI), the trip was made more interesting. Want to thank all the "AM" stations that helped out with traffic into the home Qth while away and putting up with reading SSB while in AM portion of Band. During trip had nice visits with Arnold W5JXA, Jeep W5BVX (Paul Jett, W5RT take note* I got additional lowdown on you during the visit) Elmer, W5FZY, Bates, K5HOT, Marion, W5RSV, Paw and Maw, K5HRW and HRX, Leroy, W5RUX all of San Angelo, Texas. In Big Spring, Texas celebrated my 39th Birthday (Me and Jack Benny-HI) visited their club meeting. Had Eye Ball QSO'S with Weldon, K5POK, Bob, K5SWB, Leonard, W5DWA, George K5QQB and others. Visited Odessa and Midland and had eyeball QSOS with a number of stations there. During the week in Lubbock, Texas had Eyeball QSO'S

Exciter Staff

Editor.....M. D. Harris.....K5PKX

Contributing Editors

VHF.....Cal Graf.....W5LFM
DX.....Len Parsons.....W5LGG
40 Meter....Aubrey Armstrong....K5MOF
AREC.....Lee Ulrey.....K5HZR

Circulation.Charles Frost.....K5LBU
Advertising.Fred Brown.....K5ONC

The EXCITER is published monthly and is distributed free to Amateurs in South Texas. Address correspondence to Box 62, San Antonio 6, Texas

THE SAN ANTONIO RADIO CLUB, W5SC
Officers

President....Charles Hilderbrandt.....K5VCR
Vice Pres....Thad Johnson.....W5IRQ
Secretary....Aubrey Armstrong.....K5MOF
Treasurer....Ruth Jank.....K5OPT
Sgt. at Arm..Robbie Rice.....K5SJB

The editorials and articles by contributing editors represent the views of the authors and do not necessarily reflect the views and opinions of the members of the San Antonio Radio Club or its officers.

with Bill W5CAD, Charlie K5QKO, Ted W5EXG, Lyn W5AYS and a few others. On the way up and way back home visited Edsel W5LOB, Melvin, Texas and Al, W5IHT, Menard, Texas. Glad to be back home.

Band conditions have been pretty good some DX has been coming in lately. Worked KC4USA Bird Island and got a Q5 S 6 report. W5JAJ Jack has gone SSB with a New HX 50.

Heard on The Band recently W5C1W, Pike; K5CQN/M, Jack; WAØBRC/5, Les; W7VHF/5, Ray; WA6TSY/5, K5VDO, W5EWV, W5LJQ, K5EBC, K5ENK/M, Fred; WA6GBB/5, Wes; W5YMB/M; K4QVZ/5, Ray. Welcome Newcomers two of regular 40 meters boys have gone away to college and have been heard on Band from colleges on a few occasions:

Carl K5BDR is at New Mexico State University operates W5GB, Allen K5MBL Texas A & M College has operated W5AC. Look for them. One final note on my trip was a very interesting QSO I broke into one evening while I was in Lubbock, although I had to get permission to operate on the band before I could engage in the goings on. Ruth, K5OPT and Ethel, K5OPS/Ø were talking and I surprised them, but Ruth graciously granted me permission to operate SSB on forty meters. Thanks Ruth, I will always be grateful. Ken Moss, XE2DS was a visitor in town on 10 November 62.

73
Aubrey

****

K5SJB, Robbie, is back on after being off the air for many months with a burned-out transmitter. Robbie's other interest is collecting and polishing stones. which might account for that "rock-crusher" signal of his

****

Bill Ross, K5LLK is ready to make the plunge from AM to SSB.

****

The FCC has authorized the use of up to 1000 W input on the 420-450 Mcband. The previous limit was 50 W. The new rule goes into effect on 1 January 1963.

Lets get the Ham Shack up to date with some new Equipment for the New Year.

Come see us for Hammarlund - National - Sonar - Multi-Elmac - Johnson - etc.

Have the Loudenboomer linear with Power Supply in stock.

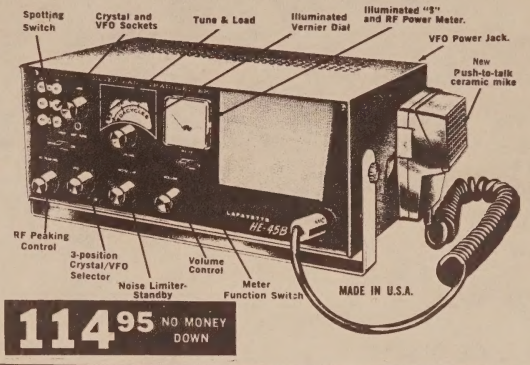
MODERN ELECTRONICS CO.

FRED K5ENK

New! LAFAYETTE
Deluxe 6-METER TRANSCEIVER
MODEL HE-45-B

Lafayette Radio Electronics

5090 BLANCO RD.
DI 4-2944



114.95 NO MONEY DOWN

Six Meter operators are should look for the VP7 at about 50.1 around 3:00 P.M. each day. He is located at a tracking station in the Bahamas.

****

OFFICIAL BULLETIN NR 873 FROM ARRL HEADQUARTERS WEST HARTFORD CONN. NOV. 15, 1962 TO ALL RADIO AMATEURS BT

Radio amateurs of the United States are reminded that communications on behalf of third parties may b exchanged with amateurs in the following countries only: Bolivia, Canada, Chile, Costa Rica, Cuba, Ecuador, El Salvador, Haiti, Honduras, Liberia, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, and Venezuela. Permitted prefixes are CE, CO, CM, CP, EL, HC, HH, HP, HR, K except KAl through 9, OA, TI, VE, VO, XE, YN, YS, YV, and ZP. Only personal or technical messages not important enough to justify use of commercial circuits should be handled by amateurs internationally AR.

****

OFFICIAL BULLETIN NR 875 FROM ARRL HEADQUARTERS WEST HARTFORD CONN. NOV. 28 1962 TO ALL RADIO AMATEURS BT

Effective January 2, 1963, the Federal Communications Commission has granted ARRL request for full kilowatt input on the 420-450 megacycle band subject to certain area restrictions generally as outlined in June QST where the 50 watt limit still applies. January QST will carry full details. The Commission also has issued a notice of proposed rule making in Docket 14853 to ease mobile logging

START THE NEW YEAR WITH SOME CHARLIE APPROVED HAM GEAR.

January Special

GONSET GSB 100 & GSB101 IKW. - P.E.P. only .67 PER WATT

(Sneak preview Hallicrafters S X117)

SAN ANTONIO'S ONLY COLLINS & HALLICRAFTERS DEALERS

Charlie	Marion	Joe	Gabby
K5VCR	W5DBN	K5WQZ	WA5EFA

RADIO & TELEVISION PARTS CO.

1828 St. Mary's St. CA 7-7503 San Antonio 12, Texas

requirements in response to ARRL petition as published page 77 November 1961 QST. Commet date is December 31 AR ARRL OES: Pass along above news to other v.h.f.ers! Plan in '63 to harness 4X250-and-larger tubes for 432 Mc.results. FOR MORE 432-Tech-INFO SEE JAN. QST...If presently we have wo1 of new A-12 program doings (see p. 22 June QST) we'll send as above, special advance-word-to-OES.

73 - FEH

With the Bexar County AREC

The San Antonio Radio Club Station W5SC will open at 1000CST on January 19, 1963. Station will be operated on 3980KC, 7260KC, 50820KC and 52525KC FM. All Club members and AREC members are invited to join us on the above frequencies and mobile participation is solicited where possible. Drop by for an eyeball.

73 Lee K5HZR

EC San Antonio Bexar Co.

AUDIO KITS

BILL CASE'S *SOUND*

TA 2-1341 3522 BROADWAY

A SOUND TRADITION IN THE SOUTHWEST

THE EXCITER
P. O. BOX 62
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

RETURN REQUESTED

BULK RATE
U. S. POSTAGE
PAID
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS
PERMIT NO. 1029

George Munsch W5VPQ
451 Pilgrim
City